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MEMORANDUM

TO: Home Health Agency Providers

FROM: Nancy Cutair, Chief *Nancy Cutair*
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RE: HIPAA Implementation Delay for Home Health Services

DATE: December 4, 2003

This is an update to the September 25, 2003 HIPAA Implementation Delay for Home Health Services memorandum.

HIPAA COMPLIANT TRANSACTION DELAY / TEMPORARY PROCEDURE CODE CHANGES

We are further delaying implementing of HIPAA compliant transactions for Home Health Services until April 3, 2004. All claims should continue to be submitted on the electronic or paper DHMH 248 form as currently used.

We must, however, temporarily change the Home Health billing procedure codes for claims with a date of service from October 18, 2003 through April 2, 2004. The new billing procedure codes for this time period are as follows:

Temporary Home Health Procedure Code Changes		
Current Code	Codes for dates of service between Oct. 18, 2003 – April 2, 2004	Service
H0001	Z9991	Skilled Nursing Services
H0002	Z9992	Skilled Nursing Visit (Other)
H0003	Z9993	Home Health Aide Services
H0005	Z0005	Physical Therapy Services
H0006	Z0006	Occupational Therapy Services
H0009	Z0009	Speech Therapy Services
H0010	Z0010	Supplies

We will keep you informed of all changes to the billing process as we complete the work. If you have any questions regarding this issue, please call my staff at 410-767-1448. Thank you.